

BOARD AND COMMISSION SUMMARY

OCTOBER 2019

Arts & Culture Commission

The Arts & Culture Commission met on October 17, 2019. Commissioners discussed the idea of financing Facebook advertisements for selected posts. The Commission will present the art purchases to the East Hampton Senior Center and Center School. Members will contact the director and principal to set up a time. Commissioners reviewed the EHACC Budget and the upcoming projects that will be supported this year including 2/500 grants; 1/\$200 Capstone Grant, \$100 for student art awards and \$500 for the Art Purchase Award. Commissioners voted to place an ad in the Podium Players playbook for their upcoming performance of Matilda for \$25 to \$50. Commissioners plan to set up a meeting with the town manger to introduce ourselves. Commissioners will submit information about the Capstone Grant to the Superintendent of Schools so students will be award and apply. Commissioners reviewed a thank you letter from Epoch Arts for the \$600 donation. Commissioners reviewed photos from Memorial School Teacher Stacey Gibson of her students' trip to Florence Griswold Museum for the Faerie Village. The Commission had given Gibson a grant to pay for transportation to the event. Commissioners discussed the future of the EHACC, which has trouble attracting members and meeting a quorum.

Board of Finance

No meeting

Brownfields Redevelopment Agency

The Brownfields Redevelopment Agency met on October 28, 2019. The Town Manager gave the members a town staff report. The members discussed the DECD STEAP Grant for 13 Watrous, 103 Main Street, and the SEH Update and the US EPA Grant 2020. The members approved the 2020 meeting dates.

Clean Energy Task Force

No meeting

Commission on Aging

The Commission on Aging met on October 10, 2019. Ms. Ewing reported on Senior Center activities. She noted more individuals are signing up for medical rides. There is a possibility that DATTCO will donate a 14-passenger van. They provided updates on the Thriving in Place events. The Advocacy Group sponsored a Candidate Forum on October 23rd.

Conservation-Lake Commission

The Conservation Lake Commission met on October 10, 2019. The members were given a communications and liaison report by Mr. Hall. The members reviewed three plan reviews and briefly discussed the watershed projects and federal funding. The topics of mailing of lake/watershed resident letters, sub-committee report on education, advisory panel, lake smart program sub-committee, and the lake level were discussed by the members. The

members were reminded about the Everblue meeting with John Tucci occurring on Wednesday the 16th at 6:30 at the High School.

Design Review Board

No meeting

Economic Development Commission

The Economic Development Commission met on October 15, 2019. The members discussed the topics of East Haddam Business Expo on October 29th, Business Package Promotion and Tourism, New Business Update/New Businesses with Planning & Zoning Approval/Review of P&Z Minutes, New Business Banner Locations, Belltown Spotlight on Business, and Town Beautification.

Ethics Commission

No meeting

Fire Commission

The Board of Fire Commissioners met on October 21, 2019. A new alarm system for company 3 was advised to be added. The Fire Marshal and Fire Chief reports were given. The members discussed Dry Hydrants, New Engine 212 Status, OSHA Complaint Follow-up and Physicals/Providers and the Chief vehicle.

Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency

The Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency met on October 30, 2019.

Agent Approvals:

- IW-19-046, Aldo Zovich, 164 Daly Road, construct a 576 sq. ft. addition. Work within Upland Review Area. Map 34/Block 92/Lot 3.
- IW-19-047, David Erlandson for Donald & Liz Harris, 112 Middle Haddam Rd., install a curtain drain. Work will be within the Upland Review Area. Map 07/Block 21/Lot 6.
- IW-19-048, Traditional Innovations, LLC. for Barbara Hitchcock, 40 Old Middletown Rd., to construct a 12' x 14' sunroom addition on west side of house on 3 techno-posts. Work within the Upland Review Area. Map 01C/3A/1.

Continued Applications:

- IW-19-041, James Marino, 100 Young St., demolition of existing house and construction of a new single family home, and associated improvements, partially in the Upland Review Area. Map 21/Block 52/Lot 23A. Approved with conditions (6-0)
- IW-19-042, James Marino, 8 Carriage Dr., construction of a new single family home and associated improvements, partially in the Upland Review Area. Map 21/Block 52/Lot 23-1. Approved with conditions (6-0)
- IW-19-043, Town of East Hampton, 60 North Main St., construction of water quality bio-swale and parking lot modifications at Sears Park. Map 04A/Block 63B/Lot 20. Continued (6-0)
- IW-19-044, Dean Brown, 207 Middle Haddam Rd., construction of deck and stairs

to river in order to correct an error on a previously issued permit. Map 03/Block 18/Lot 36A. Approved with conditions (6-0)

New Applications:

- IW-19-045, Noslen, Inc., 15 Lake Drive, remove existing wood dock and replace with a plastic dock. Work is within Upland Review Area. Map 03A/Block 70A/Lot 2A. Agent Approval (6-0)
- IW-19-046, Town of East Hampton – Culvert Replacement on Schoolhouse Lane. Continued (6-0)
- IW-19-047, Fiderio and Sons - 75 North Main St. Reconstruction of existing deck and construction of enclosed breezeway in an Upland Review Area. – Map 04A/Block 45/ Lot 24-2. Agent Approval (6-0)

Old Business:

- Cease and Desist – Sharon Allegra, 88 Young St. Work in the Upland Review Area and Wetlands Map 21/ Block 52/ Lot 22C
- 152 West High St. – Possible Work in Upland Review Area
- 48 Pine Brook Rd. – Possible Work in Upland Review Area

Joint Facilities

No meeting

Library Advisory Board

The Library Advisory Board met on November 4th. The Board was informed on the progress of a ceiling tile replacement project. There was discussion on the possibility of eliminating library fines for overdue materials. Strategic planning is ongoing.

Middle Haddam Historic District Commission

The Middle Haddam Historic District Commission met on October 24, 2019. The members reviewed and approved an application to replace the existing roofing with new shake wood shingle from Timberline. The members approved the 2020 meeting dates.

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

No meeting

Planning & Zoning Commission

The Planning & Zoning Commission met on October 2, 2019.

Public Hearings:

- PZC-19-010: Roncalli Institute, Inc., 49 Oakum Dock, for a Zone Change from R-2 to Commercial. Map 02/Block 9A/Lot 2. Extension request granted for Nov. 6, 2019 regularly scheduled meeting. (7-0)
- PZC-19-011: Roncalli Institute, Inc., 49 Oakum Dock, for a Special Permit to construct an Assembly Hall in the Commercial Zone (Sec. 5.2.C). Map 02/Block 9A/Lot 2. Extension request granted for Nov. 6, 2019 regularly scheduled meeting. (7-0)

New Business:

- PZC-19-018: American Equities, LLC., 35 West Point Road, for a Zone Change from R-1 to Commercial. Map 5A/Block 84/Lot 1. Public hearing scheduled for the next regularly scheduled meeting on Nov. 6, 2019. (7-0)
- PZC-19-019: American Equities, LLC., 35 West Point Road, for a Site Plan Review for additional parking. Map 5A/Block 84/Lot 1. Public hearing scheduled for the next regularly scheduled meeting on Nov. 6, 2019 (7-0)

Old Business:

- PZC-19-017: South Road Marlborough, LLC., 98 Middletown Ave., for a zone change from Industrial to R-4. Map 12/Block 48C/Lot 4. Public hearing scheduled for the next regularly scheduled meeting on Nov. 6, 2019 (7-0)
- Updates to Sec. 3.1 Lake Pocotopaug Protection Zone – Continued to the next regularly scheduled meeting on Nov. 6, 2019.

Town Facility Building Committee

The Town Facility Building Committee met on October 3, 2019. The members were given the architect update, construction manager update, and an OPM update. The members reviewed the furniture options from both prospective vendors. The members approved seven (7) change orders and two (2) invoices. There was a brief public relations update for the members.

The Town Facility Building Committee met on October 17, 2019. There was an update from the architect, construction manager, and the OPM. The FF&E was presented to the members by Lauren from Amenta Emma. The members reviewed and discussed the color scheme, item choices, and budget for the project. They decided to hold a meeting next Thursday to review and approve the final cost. There were no change orders, and the members approved of two invoices from Amenta Emma and Boundaries.

The Town Facility Building Committee held a special meeting on October 24, 2019. The committee voted to accept the quote from Strategic Spaces for the furniture, fixtures and equipment for the new Town Hall/Police Department. They also approved a change order.

Water Pollution Control Authority

The Water Pollution Control Authority Committee held their regular meeting on Tuesday October 1, 2019 at 6:00. Town Manager Dave Cox was introduced to the WPCA board. Mr. Cox asked for a representative to speak with Town Council (if requested) on the current sewer rates. Mr. Cox will report to the Council the reasoning for the current rate increase and contact Mr. Clayton if needed at the next meeting. The Village Center Water System received the following maintenance and repairs. Two greensand filters and two carbon filters have been rebeded. Tank has been cleaned and inspected, back washing is being done twice per week and the System Flushing was done on 10/1 -10/3 and again 10/8 - 10/10. Royal Oaks Water Flushing was done 10/15-10/17. North Main pump station generator project should be completed by December. Pine Trail Force Main project will go out to bid in December. The Board started working on Capital Planning for next year.

Zoning Board of Appeals

The Zoning Board of Appeals met on October 21, 2019

Public Hearings:

- Application ZBA-19-011, Keith LaBar, Jr. for Delia Sienna, 16 Hawthorne Rd., for a variance to reduce the side setback from 15' to 8' and reduce the front setback from 25' to 8' to construct a 12' x 15' carport over existing driveway. Map 10A/Block 81/Lot 6A – Continued to the next regularly scheduled meeting on November 18, 2019 (5-0)
- Application ZBA-19-012, Randall and Diane Rushin, 43 Smith Street, for a variance to reduce the side setback from 25' to 8' to construct a 26' x 24' 2 car garage with a 9' x 20' addition and a lot coverage increase from 10% to 14%. Map 06A/Block 57/Lot 8A-2. Continued to the next regularly scheduled meeting on November 18, 2019 (5-0)